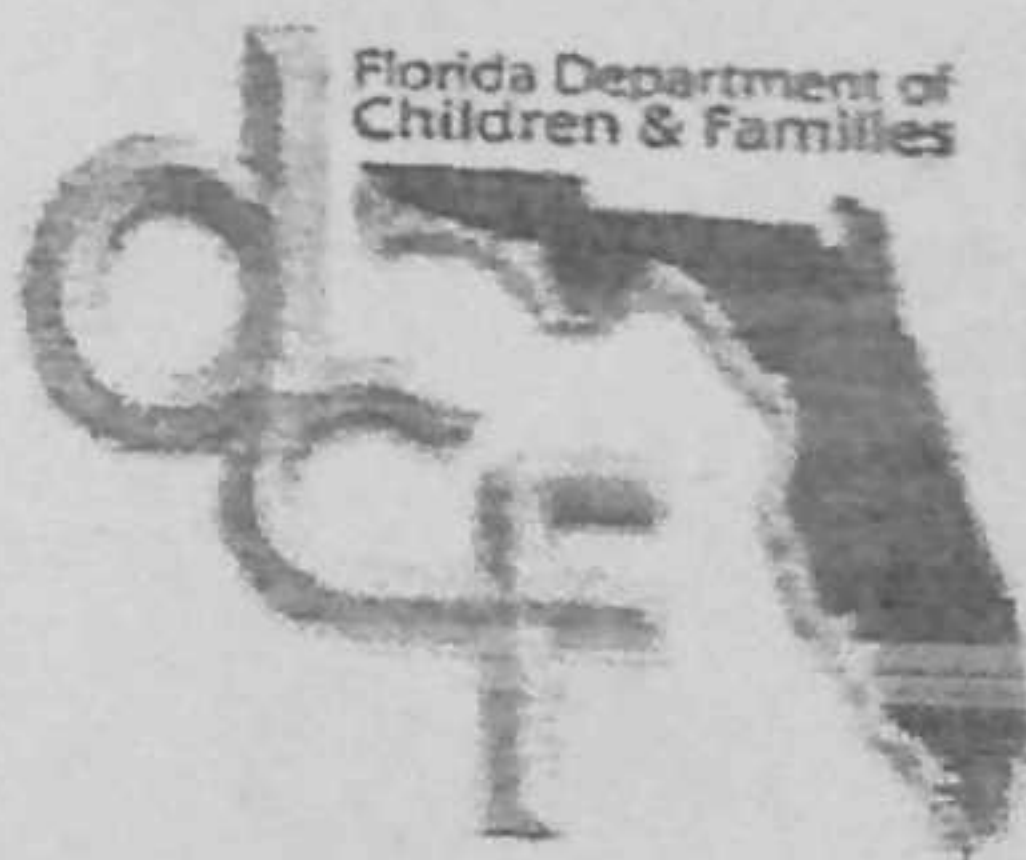


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State of Florida  
Department of Children and Families

March 26, 2010

Barbara Haake  
Bernard Haake  
608 NW Sophie Drive  
White Springs, FL 32096

Reference: 2010-043092-01

I am writing to let you know that the Department's special conditions referral, received on March 9, 2010 is finished.

I hope we have been able to explain the process throughout the special conditions referral, but if you still have questions, please call me, CPI Shannon Lominack at 386-758-1581, or my supervisor, CPIS Richard Ring at 386-758-1503.

While the Department's special conditions referral has ended, if there are other agencies involved with you, their activity may not be completed. If your case was referred for services, I encourage you to maintain contact with those service providers.

The Partnership for Strong Families has information about family-centered services in your community. If you would like information about these services, you may contact them at 386-758-5757. They are located at 1389 W US Hwy 90, Suite #4, in Lake City, FL 32055.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Shannon Lominack, CPI  
Child Protective Investigations  
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2010-043092 special conditions report, CPI observed all six children. They had been working with the animals and with a sidewalk construction and were somewhat dirty from this. Raymond, age 17 had been bitten by a dog when he tried to break up a fight between a dog and a cat. The family cares for animals as a rescue shelter. There were desecrated skunks in a room of the home and CPI observed them to be isolated. CPI observed no indicators of mistreatment, abuse or neglect. Barbara and Bernard stated they believed this report was called to DCF by the Columbia Animal Shelter out of spite because the staff there was in disagreement with their right to operate this shelter. CPI discussed possible services with Barbara and Bernard. CPI offered the parents services. The parents declined stating that they are doing fine and they do not need any services at this time.

No Duplicates were found. Due to no one in the home having any priors the risk to the children is low.

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**V. Overall Safety Assessment**

The risk to the Children is Moderate.

Maltreatment (Sexual Abuse, Physical Injury, Inadequate Supervision)

The home is at 608 NW Sophie Dr. White Springs, FL. The home is an animal rescue shelter out in the country of White Springs. It has several hundred animals at the home. The home often has vets and animal control out there to make sure it is safe. The home is a wooden framed home. It smells of animal. They had all types of animal in the home. The home was clean and appropriate. There were no visible hazards in the home.

Bernard Haake - Grandfather/ Adoptive - Perp

Barbara Haake - Grandmother/ Adoptive

Megan Haake - Adult in the home

Samantha Haake - Child - Victim

Tabitha Haake - Child - Victim

Hans Haake - Child - Victim

The grandfather was very aggressive towards the CPI during the first visit. The CPI feels the only reason he was not attacked in the home was because the Sheriff Deputy was with him. The grandmother was pretty calm during the whole situation. The Children did not disclose any sexual abuse. They also did not disclose any fear of anyone in the home. CPI did not find any sexual abuse towards the children. The child Hans seems slow and unable to really understand what the CPI asked him. The parents are able to meet the children's needs. The CPI also was handed a letter that was notarized by Barbara Haake, which was what they think made this report. It stated that she was never sexually abused by the grandfather. This letter was made in 2005 because she was accusing him of sexual abuse, but then retracted her statement. At this time there is no evidence to support any of these allegations.

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**VI. Summary/Findings Implications**

The children had no evidence of Physical Injuries or Sexual Abuse. There is no evidence of Inadequate Supervision as well. There is no evidence to support any of these claims.

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**VII. Recommended Disposition**

The family has asked for Family Counseling due to the allegations going around. They stated they felt like they can not do anything but fight now.

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